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ELK POINT 4-H MULTI CLUB champion speakers for 2003 were (front, left to right) Jessica Wirsta, Kayla Gibson, Robyn Ockerman, Janice Tymofichuk, (back, left to right) Micheal Wandler, Melissa Frisby, Shaun Robinson and Darren Tymofichuk.

Elk Point 4-H speakers show great potential

Seventeen personable young people entertained and informed an appreciative audience on Sunday, at the Elk Point 4-H Multi Club's annual Public Speaking Competition. After hearing close to four hours of prepared and impromptu speeches and a trio of presentations, judges had the challenging task of determining the winners.

In the Senior division, Shaun Robinson spoke with conviction on gun registration legislation in "Legal or Illegal?" followed up with an impromptu discussing what goes into "A Perfect 4-H Meeting" to win the first place trophy from Alberta Treasury Branch. Micheal Wandler placed second for the Servus Credit Union trophy with a well thought out prepared speech on "Hunting Ethics" and a short, to the point, impromptu on "Highway Cleanup".

Intermediate division winner Robyn Ockerman spoke of many positives in her prepared speech, "Why 4-H?", followed up with a pie-in-the-sky impromptu which answered the question, "If you could be anyone, who would you be?" to win the C. J. Petroleum trophy presented by Nichole Havener. Melissa Frisby looked to her future as an aunt in "A New Beginning", and took an affectionate look at Christmas past in her impromptu on "My Favorite Holiday" to earn second place and the Tarsands trophy presented by proud dad Lyle Frisby. Derek Wruth, Bryant Schnurer, Matthew Robinson, Tyson Ockerman and Laryssa Cochrane also competed in the Intermediate division.

Jessica Wirsta explored the joys and tribulations of "4-H Regional Horse Camp" and the fun of "My Favorite Fair Ride" to win the first place Junior trophy presented by Vicki Brooker of the Elk Point Review. Kayla Gibson gave an enthusiastic tribute to "My Dog Ted" and explored "What You Can Build With a Cardboard Box" for second place and the Woody's Trophy and Gift Shop plaque. Jared Vallee, Alanna Ockerman and Katelynn Vallee also spoke in this division.

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Canada Day enthusiasm high

With 120 planning days before the July 1 Canada Day celebrations, enthusiasm and innovative ideas for activities and attractions are at an all-time high.

An excellent turnout of vol-

unteers got the year's first meeting off to a great start, with a good cross-section of the community and surrounding area represented. The committee studied last year's financial statement

and list of donors, as well as an evaluation of last year's event and a list of suggestions made last July 9.

While Canada Day is on a Thursday this year, activities

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■ Up Front

Long service awards presented at Health Centre

Fifteen staff members with tenures ranging from five to 25 years were honored by the Elk Point Health Care Centre, Elk Point Community Services and the Aspen Regional Health Authority recently. Community Health Services Supervisor Lynda Sylvestre, Facility Supervisor Val Sebree and Registered Dietitian Linda Fox presented gifts and certificates to the honorees on Wednesday, February 18. Sylvestre paid special tribute to the Homecare workers, noting that they are "very client focused and give 120% to the community. They cope very well and make independent decisions."

Esther Moneta, RN, received one of two 25 year recognition awards. Moneta began her career at the hospital in 1978, working in acute care, and in 1999 became head nurse. Cutbacks and two rounds of regionalization have brought about many changes in

recent years, with Moneta moving to a part time position and the Homecare department. She "fell in love with Homecare and her clients... and brought with her years of experience," Sylvestre told the assembly of staff and invited guests, noting that Moneta is "deeply compassionate and much appreciated by her clients". She thanked Moneta "for always doing her best."

Dietitian Linda Fox has worked in various areas of northeast Alberta, including Glendon, St. Paul and Lac La Biche, over the past 25 years and now works half time in each of Elk Point and Bonnyville. She is appreciated for her knowledge and commitment, and is a vital part of such programs as the Healthy Babies Nutrition Plan, where she is "the spark that keeps the program running", according to Sylvestre.

They had only planned to stay for five years when they started working at the hospi-

tal but both Diane Heathcote in the Dietary department and Rosanne Dutchak, an LPN in Acute Care and Emergency, are still there 20 years later. Heathcote, a Red Seal cook who is described as the "cornerstone of the department," even persevered through renovations to the kitchen which saw her cooking in a trailer and trundling carts of trays up and down a ramp to get them to the patients. Dutchak was introduced by Pam Ballas, who described her as "very dedicated and loyal."

Six workers qualified for 15 year awards, including Long Term Care head nurse Marguerite Friesen, Homecare RN Team Leader Isabel Myshaniuk and Homecare Home Support worker Betty Poitras. Acute Care LPN Charlene Bintz, Dietary staffer Shirley Porcina and Housekeeping working leader Linda Kent were not able to be present

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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE by Esther Moneta, a RN now working with Homecare, (left) and Linda Fox, Registered Dietitian, was celebrated at Elk Point Health Centre in a recent ceremony honoring these dedicated employees.

community NEWS

Chamber plaques to award winners

Elk Point Chamber of Commerce is proud to salute two very deserving individuals and an outstanding group for their contributions to the community.

Winners were announced at the February 18 Annual Meeting of the Chamber, and have since been presented with their plaques.

Small Business Person of the Year -

Jean Slywka
Jean Slywka has been part of Elk Point's business community for over 35 years. According to Elk Point Reflections history book, Jean purchased the building which had once been the Caskey Hotel in 1967,

and operated the cafe in that building which had formerly been run by Joe Wong. When her business outgrew that pioneer structure, she had it moved out of town to make room for the handsome brick-fronted building which became the Empress Family Restaurant when it was completed in 1970.

The Empress was the

home to the Chamber since its earliest days, holding meetings in the front portion of the cafe. However, this didn't leave much room for the rest of the lunch crowd, and the Chamber moved next door into a vacant store, where the Empress staff delivered their soup-and-sandwich lunches. Less than five years after the

Empress opened its doors, the decision was made to add a lounge and banquet room, and the Chamber moved their meetings to the Pioneer Circle for a few months while the new construction was completed. A grand opening for the newly expanded business was held February 15, 1985, with a complimentary smorgasbord dinner for all who attended.

Later that year, in Canada Career Week, Jean was presented with a Businessperson's Positive Attitude award sponsored by the Alberta Career Centre.

Over the years, Jean and her family have provided good food and courteous, friendly service to several generations of area residents. The award goes to the woman who started it all, and kept it going and growing through the years - Jean Slywka.



SMALL BUSINESS PERSON AWARD was presented by past president Jonny Nielsen to Chris Shankowski, daughter of recipient Jean Slywka.

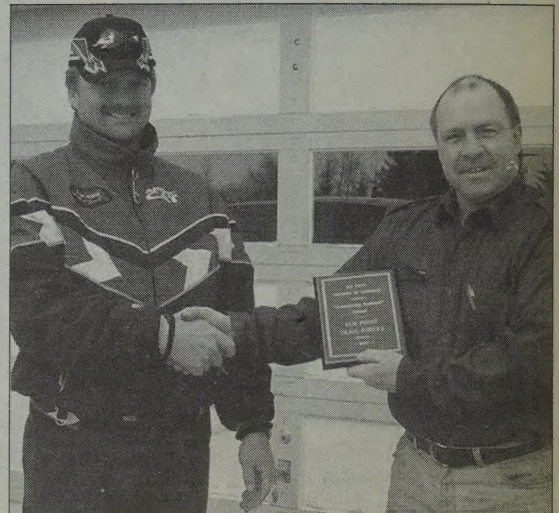
Volunteer of the Year - Doug Bassett

Doug Bassett is a true multi-tasker in the world of Elk Point volunteers. A longtime member of the Elk Point and District Lions Club, he is always very much involved with Lions projects and activities such as the Walk for Sight and the Lions Birthday Calendar.

Doug's dedication to minor sports, including hockey and ball, has helped to bring numerous provincial tournaments to town, after first making sure that the facilities were up to provincial standards. It's no wonder that one of the highlights of last summer's Midget Boys tourney was the presentation of a sign declaring the fastball diamond to be "Bassett Field". That great moment was over-



PAST PRESIDENT Jonny Nielsen presented awards to Volunteer of the Year Doug Bassett (above) and Community Builders Award representative Dale Rinas of the Elk Point Trail Riders (below).



Community Builders - Elk Point Trail Riders

shadowed, however, by the excitement two days later when Doug was surrounded by the gleeful White Sox for a victory picture with their provincial gold medals.

It's hard to say if that was the happiest day of Doug's year, or if that occasion came when he handed over the final payment on the A. G. Ross Arena mortgage on behalf of the Arena Operating Committee. In the midst of all the excitement, not to mention a challenging career, Doug still makes time for one of his favorite hobbies - writing the minor sports news for the Review on a totally volunteer basis. Way to go, Sportshound!

Elk Point Trail Riders have helped to put Elk Point on not one, but many maps. As part of the Iron Horse Trail group, they have worked hard to turn an abandoned rail line into a popular four season recreational trail, and have been instrumental in such aspects of development as installing gates, Texas gates and signage, and have helped lobby for the extension of the trail into the major recreational destination it is today. As a snowmobile club, they developed a comprehensive map of snowmobile trails in the area, which promotes area businesses through advertising. Most importantly, they have increased awareness of the area among snowmobilers, recently hosting visitors from Snow Goer magazine on their tour across the area, and later the same week, hosting a stop for the Way Out Women Rally for breast cancer research. The Trail Riders are now ready and willing to become involved with development of the Iron Horse Trail's Elk Point staging area, and are planning to establish a clubhouse in that area.

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community **NEWS****Skaters excel in Funmeet**

Members of the Elk Point Skating Club excelled in the rencet Funmeet competition held in Vegreville on February 21. Under the direction of coach Barb Hobson, there were 10 skaters who participated, and they brought home a total of 13 medals.

Participants were: Lisa Ference, Canskate Stage 1 and 2; Allison Ference, Canskate Stage 2 and 3; Rachael Walton, Canskate Stage 2 and 3; Kassandra Moores, Canskate Stage 4 and 5; Amber Stanley, Canskate Stage 6 and 7; Robin Stanley, Canskate Stage 5 and 6; Demica Taylor, Canskate Stage 5 and 6; Natasha Demers, Canskate Stage 6 and 7. Qualified skaters also competed in the Spin, Spiral Jump portion of the competition. Those skaters who competed in Category A were Natasha Demers, Amber Stanley and Demica Taylor, and those in Category B were Ashton Ewasiuk and Elizabeth Orr.

The following skaters were medal winners: Natasha Demers - 1 gold, 2 bronze; Amber Stanley - 1 silver; Elizabeth Orr - 1 silver; Kassandra Moores, 1 gold, 1 silver; Rachael Walton - 2 bronze; Lisa Ference - 1 gold, 1 bronze; Demica Taylor - 2 gold.

According to coach Barb Hobson, the skaters presented themselves well and their hard work paid off. Congratulations to all participants on a job well done.

Upcoming events for the Elk Point Skating Club are a test day in Vegreville and the annual Ice Carnival which will be held at the A. G. Ross Arena on March 21 at 1:30 p.m.

Long service awards

(Continued from Page 1) and will receive their awards later.

Two of the five-year award recipients were on hand to accept, occupational therapist Candice Stewart and Homecare Home Support worker Donna Fedorus, for whom this is a second career. Also qualifying are Homecare RN Brenda Potter, Long Term Care nursing assistant VC Mabborang-Tulio and Dietary worker Sharon Cousins.



FUNMEET PARTICIPANTS were (back row, left to right) Natasha Demers, Demica Taylor, Robin Stanley, Amber Stanley, Elizabeth Orr; (centre row, left to right) Allison Ference, Rachael Walton, Kassandra Moores, Ashton Ewasiuk, (front) Lisa Ference.

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Historical Society holds AGM

Elk Point Historical Society looked back at a long and impressive list of completed projects dating back to the group's inception in 1975 as they sat down to plan for the future at their February 17 annual meeting.

Since the printing of the original history book, "Reflections" and its supplement, Society projects have included the historical mural and its park, involvement in lobbying for preservation of Fort George and Buckingham House historic sites and later in the celebration of their success as the Interpretive Centre opened during Bicentennial celebrations. More recently, they have given impetus to a group which spearheaded development of the Iron Horse Trail, ventured into publishing books of local history, hosted yearly 'history days', collected names

of military veterans and produced videotapes from old home movies.

Current projects include music and photo CDs and more books of a historical nature. Sales of the F. G. Miller book have been excellent, with a second printing now being bound ready for distribution. Sid Holthe has embarked on a project of listing ministers, priests and pastors and collecting data on history of local churches, and Steve Andrishak is nearing completion of his family history book which will be published

by the Society.

Suggested for future projects are a list of RCMP officers who have served at the local detachment, two more books of history written long ago by F. G. Miller, and history of the Canadian Salt Plant, as well as more family histories. Historical maps of the area are also being studied, with plans for their preservation.

The Society's executive - president Vicki Brooker, vice president Ron Onusko and secretary-treasurer Marvin Bjornstad - was reelected by acclamation.

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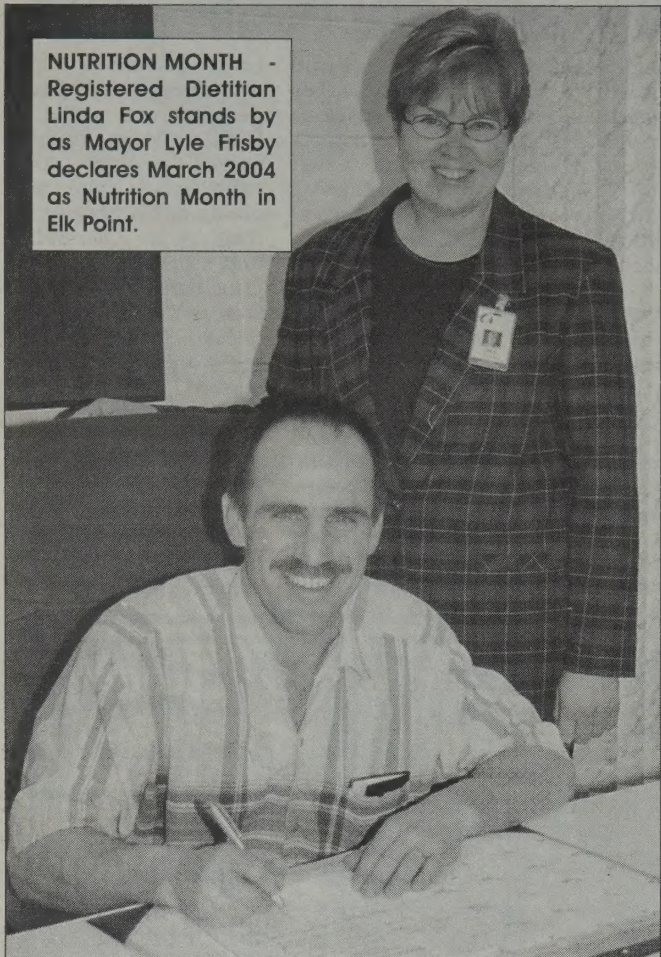
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NUTRITION MONTH - Registered Dietitian Linda Fox stands by as Mayor Lyle Frisby declares March 2004 as Nutrition Month in Elk Point.

■ Proclamation

National Nutrition Month "Eat Well, Play Well"

WHEREAS the goal of National Nutrition Month is to encourage all Canadians to eat well;

AND WHEREAS Registered Dietitians are a trusted source of credible nutrition information and are launching a campaign focusing on healthy living in the school age years;

AND WHEREAS Canadians are interested in healthy eating and want information to help them achieve this goal - dietitians offer nutrition resources as well as interactive tools on the Dietitians of Canada web site - www.dietitians.ca/eatwell
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lyle Frisby of the Town of Elk Point in the province of Alberta,

DO HEREBY PROCLAIM the month of March, 2004

NATIONAL NUTRITION MONTH

in the town of Elk Point, Alberta

Lyle Frisby,
Mayor

Good health starts with good nutrition

March is Nutrition Month across Canada and this year's theme focuses on healthy eating for school-aged children and youth 6 to 17 years old - where they live, learn, and play. The slogan for this year's campaign is "Eat Well, Play well!" The objectives for the campaign include the following:

■ Profile the dietitian as a key resource for nutrition advice.

■ Support teachers, educators, school leaders and parents in providing an environment that supports students in establishing and maintaining lifelong healthy eating and physical activity patterns.

■ Encourage the whole family to become involved in making healthy food choices, meal preparation, and active living.

■ Promote the benefits of healthy eating and physical activity to school-aged children.

The goal of Nutrition Month is to highlight nutrition as a key component of health and focus on motivating and enabling Canadians to make informed choices to improve their health. Nutrition Month also stimulates nutrition activities in communities' across Canada,

profiling dietitians as the best source of reliable nutrition information.

Tip of the Day

People who are physically active are more likely to feel good about themselves. Get moving to feel your best.

Local Nutrition Month activities are being organized in an attempt to reach school-aged children. Resource packages have been created that include all the necessary information and materials required by teachers to organize a nutrition challenge within their classrooms. The challenges focus on breakfast consumption as well as vegetable and fruit intake. A Nutrition Month article will be featured in school newsletters that emphasizes the importance of calcium and Vitamin D consumption in building healthy bones. The article is titled "Bone Building Facts - Questions and Answers". Four different articles will also be featured in

local newspapers throughout the month of March. The articles are meant to educate adults on important issues that influence the eating habits of children.

"Education and health are intimately linked. Eating habits influence our ability to learn and next to parents, schools have the most impact on shaping children's eating habits," says Registered Dietitian Wendy McLean, Clinical Practice Lead-Nutrition for Aspen Regional Health.

A Nutrition Month Tip of the Day Calendar was created. It will be distributed to local radio stations and posted in waiting rooms, cafeterias and in lunchrooms. Each weekday during the month of March will feature a different tip aimed at promoting healthy living through a healthy diet and regular physical activity. A Nutrition Month contest has also been organized for the workplace. The contest is aimed at promoting breakfast and is intended to highlight the benefits of eating breakfast on a daily basis. By targeting adults, it is anticipated that positive nutrition messages will be transferred onto children and hopefully lead to lifelong healthy living habits.

Family violence and bullying

Last week I had the opportunity to attend the northeast session of the Alberta Roundtable on Family Violence and Bullying workshops. We learned that violence affects all of us in one way or another. The effects are far reaching and extend from individual victims to our entire society. Family violence and bullying affect the victims' families who worry about the well-being and safety of one of their own. They affect friends or neighbors who may suspect something is happening but feel powerless to help. The impact is felt in schools where teachers are increasingly confronted with the effects on students who witness family violence at home or are victims of violence themselves. The effects are felt directly in the criminal justice system that must respond to incidents of family violence and bullying through both policing and the court system. Our overburdened health care system must deal with the serious physical and psychological injuries that result. Ultimately, family violence and bullying affect all citizens whose taxes must pay for the significant costs.

The recent tragic deaths in Alberta that have resulted from family violence and bullying have given rise to a renewed commitment by provincial and municipal governments along with community service providers and Alberta citizens to take action to ensure these tragic events are not repeated. Premier Ralph Klein expressed this commitment in October 2003 when he announced that addressing family violence issues would be a top priority for the Alberta government. Alberta Children's Services Minister Iris Evans was asked to provide leadership for a Provincial Round Table on Family Violence.

Minister Iris Evans has provided the leadership as these Provincial Round Table work-

shops have started in various locations throughout the province. I was asked by our local MLA Ray Danyluk to be one of the participants at the northeast round table workshop held in Bonnyville on Monday, February



deanna
EASTHOPE
from the FCSS desk

24, 2004. Thank you, Ray. I was very impressed with the deliberations that took place at the workshop held in Bonnyville. The results of all the workshops held throughout the province will go before the round table to be held in Calgary in May. As a public citizen, you can also get involved in this process of finding solutions. You can go to www.familyviolence-roundtable.gov.ab.ca to read or make suggestions.

One strong suggestion that came out of the workshop held in Bonnyville, was to first of all let the public know the definition of family violence and bullying. As I agree with the importance of letting the public know the definition, I will quote from the booklet they gave us at the workshop, "Achieving a Violence-Free Alberta is Everybody's Business Regional Workshop Guide and Workbook." What is family violence? "Here's what we know family violence is not. It is not an inability to control anger. It is not a mental illness. It is not caused by alcohol or drug abuse, although these substances can contribute to family violence. Family violence is not a loss of control; rather, it is a choice by the abuser to use violence or the threat of violence to gain control over another person. Family violence can best be described as a collection of actions and behaviors, both criminal and non-criminal, that have as their motive the intent to control another person. Because this definition can be explained further, and because we all need to get a handle on this whole issue, let me continue explaining in next week's "From the FCSS desk..."

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Norbert Georget pays his sixth visit to F. G. Miller students

Last Tuesday, Norbert Georget gave a presentation to the entire student body at F. G. Miller High School, three years after his last visit. The financial sponsorship of County of St. Paul Family and Community Support Services helped defray the cost of bringing this internationally known speaker to our school and several other schools in the area. Thank you also to the students and staff who came early and stayed late, so that they could help with the set up and clean up of the gym.

Norbert Georget was a paramedic in Saskatoon, SK until he became frustrated with the needless deaths caused by irresponsible teens and young adults. He began devoting his holidays to speaking at schools about 12 years



john
BRAGA

F. G. Miller High

ago, in an attempt to convince students to make responsible decisions. The students he spoke to received his message and some wrote back to him, encouraging him to spread his message and sharing ideas about how to more effectively reach teens. He now speaks full time to students, convincing them to think and take an active role in discouraging their friends and peers from driving while impaired and also to stay away from the use of drugs.

Georget travels constantly throughout North America, having visited Ontario, Alberta, and Hawaii in the last three weeks alone. Since he

began giving these presentations he has spoken to over half a million students.

Because his focus is on impacting teens, the presentation is geared to capture their attention. To this end he displays few statistics and no charts or diagrams. He instead presents personal stories and real collision scene photos to impress upon the students how real and harmful the consequences of impaired driving are.

The entire gym was silent during the showing of collision scene photos. There were even special effects, when at one point bright lights and a sound track were used to impress upon people the rapid and awful situation of realizing you are in a car crash. Some students I spoke with later revealed how much it affected them and how it convinced them to take whatever steps are necessary to ensure their friends do not drink and drive, they care about their friends and do not want them to go through what we

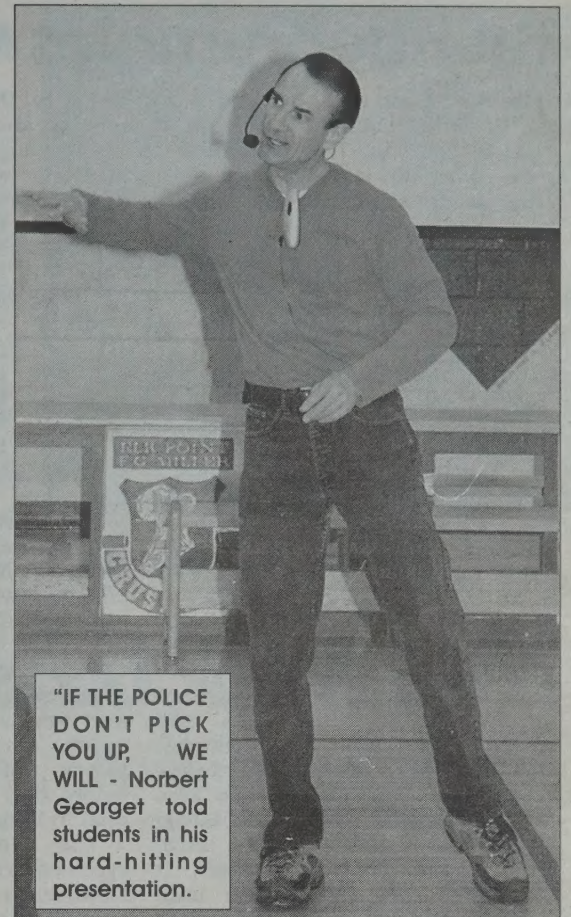
saw. There were also excerpts from the movie Requiem for a Dream, which traced a teenage couple's experimentation with drugs, their addiction, and how it consumed their life to the exclusion of all else.

Georget told about how on an ambulance ride-along he took in Vancouver as research for his presentation they discovered one dead and four unconscious drug addicts on the streets.

Despite the passion that Norbert Georget puts into his presentation, he is aware of over 90 students he has spoken to who have been in impaired car crashes after his presentation.

The average in Alberta is that one person will be killed in a vehicle crash involving alcohol every four days, which is higher than the death rate by guns.

Even though some people may not get the message it appears that most people do, everyone who saw the presentation at FGM was left with much to think about and greater incentive to make the right choices. Anyone who is interested in finding out more can visit Norbert Georget's website at www.ItsOKNotToDrink.com.



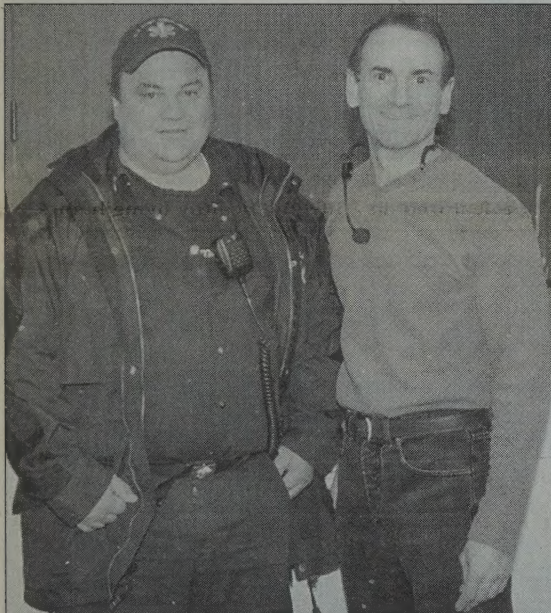
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FELLOW EMTs - Norbert Georget, who left his career as a paramedic and ambulance attendant to spread the message on the perils of alcohol and drug use, welcomed local EMTs Kevin McDonald and (not shown) Cam Stevenson to Tuesday's presentation.

District 4-H speakoff in Elk Point March 7

By Chelsea Schnurer

Elk Point 4-H Multi Club

The District 4-H Public Speaking competition has arrived once again. On March 7, 2004 4-Hers from different clubs in our district will be competing for first place in the Senior, Intermediate and Junior categories. Clubs that will be attending the competition are Elk Point 4-H Multi, St. Paul 4-H Multi, St. Paul Light Horse, St. Lina Beef and Goodridge Beef. The competition will be held at the Seniors Recreation Centre in Elk Point at 1:00 p.m. We invite everyone to come out and support all the 4-H clubs that have worked long, hard hours on their speeches preparing for Districts. Anyone who is interested to discover what the 4-Hers are going to be debating about is welcome to come and enjoy an afternoon of fun.

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review SPORTS

Thunder rumbles with Mallaig; Atoms win the league

In like a lamb and out like a lion. You think I'm talking about March's weather don't you? This is true, but it also sums up last Friday night's Thunder game against the visiting Mallaig. The

Thunder game started relatively calm, a few penalties, yes, but remember we are talking midget hockey, so it's almost always accepted that

there's going to be a little bumping and grinding. Young Brett Younghans, who had a terrific game, scored the first goal by the Thunder. It was also a good night for the Dallaire brothers. Scott "Tank" Dallaire buried one assisted by his little brother Craig, and then nailed two goal posts on the same shift late in the third period. Craig Dallaire also scoring assisted by his big brother the "Tank" and steady defenseman Tyson Slywka. Goalie Chris Proskiw played extremely well stopping 35 shots, and kept the game within reach, but Mallaig took a 6 to 3 lead late in the third, and as the game progressed it became rougher and rougher until 2:24 minutes left in the game when all h**** broke out, and everyone on the ice was fighting. The end result: two minor penalties, and eight majors including eight game misconducts. Don't blame the boys, blame nature, it must have something to do with testosterone and all those young girls in the crowd, that fires the boys up and then they start to butt heads.

Sounds like fun for the coaching staff, tomorrow night they get to do it all over again in Mallaig. And coming up this weekend the Thunder are holding their annual home tournament, four or five out of town teams will be here all weekend. Stop in and support our boys.

Close only counts in horseshoes. The **Midget Girls Storm** were officially eliminated from provincial play after losing to Kitscoty Saturday night 2 to 1, Megan Proskiw scoring assisted by Bret Hahn and Eryl Anton Roberts.

Another tough challenge faced the **Peeewe Avalanche**, playing against the same team that knocked them out of provincials. Marwayne did the

same to them in league play on Sunday afternoon eliminating them from going on any further. The Avalanche will now be searching for tournaments to play in for the rest of the season.

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Review Sports



Trevor "Kidd" Ballas stopping almost everything in his path. Then on Saturday and Sunday they traveled to Lac La Biche for the North East League's North division championships, where they won another game over Cold Lake, then went on to defeat Lac La Biche and Glendon to win the league championship.

More on the Atom Avalanche in next week's paper when we do our special edition with the Avalanche player profiles and scouting report before they go off to the provincial final in Viking.

The **Novice Hurricanes** all received really nice trophies in Dewberry's tournament this past weekend. Louis Stanley was in net for the first game against Marwayne, Zachary Ference getting the goalie duties for the second game against Mannville, Andrew Jenner with two goals, Skyler Ewasiuk and Beaudon Rogers also scoring. This coming weekend the Hurricanes are playing on the pond. That's right, six outdoor rinks have been constructed on the lake at Lac la Biche and they are hosting their very own outdoor classic, the kids will be playing pond hockey and changing in tents. Sounds like great fun doesn't it?

Happy birthdays this past weekend, on Saturday to 12-year-old Dylan "in your face" Loughran, and welcome back to "clear the track here comes Zack" who is turning 17 years old tomorrow. Zachary MacKinnon is back from Fort Saskatchewan where he played AAA midget this past season and was named to the league's all star team.

Coming up this week, tomorrow on Wednesday March 3, the monthly A. G. Ross Operating Committee meeting at 7:30, everyone is always

welcome. And next week on Tuesday, March 9 from 5.30 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. it's team picture night. Ask your team manager for your team's picture times and be sure to have your son or daughter dressed and ready to go on the ice. There is no cost this year, as the pictures are sponsored by the Servus Credit Union, so be sure to stop by and thank manager Rod Randall. Also the plans are underway the annual **Minor Hockey Windup** dinner and awards on Saturday, March 27 at the Seniors Recreation Centre. This is a great way to recap the season, the kids look forward to

it, and if you have any ideas on the supper and program etc. please contact Darlene Kozicky or myself as soon as possible.

And now for the K. A. Campbell's quote of the week. "I went to the fights the other night and a hockey game broke out." Sounds a little like last Friday's Thunder game doesn't it? Last week's answer to: "This team never quits, now if it can only start winning." Former Oiler Todd Marchant.

Do you have any scoops? Now you can email them to sportshound007@hotmail.com

Elk Point Mixed Bonspiel



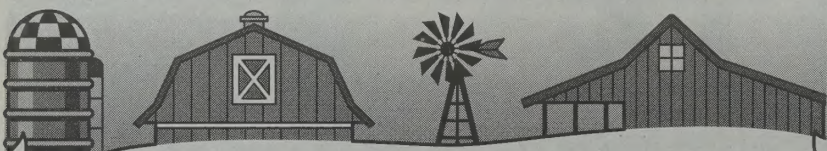
GRAND CHALLENGE WINNERS in the Elk Point Mixed Bonspiel, who were presented with the Doug and Doreen Berg Memorial trophies by Lorn Berg, were Curtis Porcina, Terry and Mike Breen. Second place went to (front, left to right) Ken Ference, Shannon Capjack, James Capjack and (not shown) Lynda Letwin.



"B" EVENT trophies from Green Acres Sod Farm were presented by Susan MacKinnon to (left to right) Mark Ference, Dennell Anderson, Stephen Kozina and (not shown) Leanne Ference. Second place went to (front, left to right) Lyle Frisby, Shaina Gadowski, Cecile Demers and Norm Quinney.



"C" EVENT WINNERS of the Peter Yewchin Memorial trophies presented by Curtis Porcina were (left to right) Lane Lorenson, Stella Lorenson, Jen McDonald and Terrie Donaldson, who won the final over (front, left to right) Terry, Julie, Kris and Kathy Gusnowski.

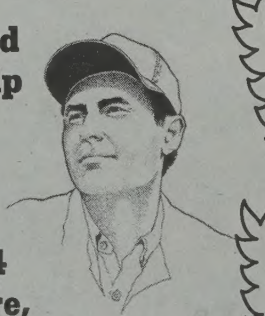


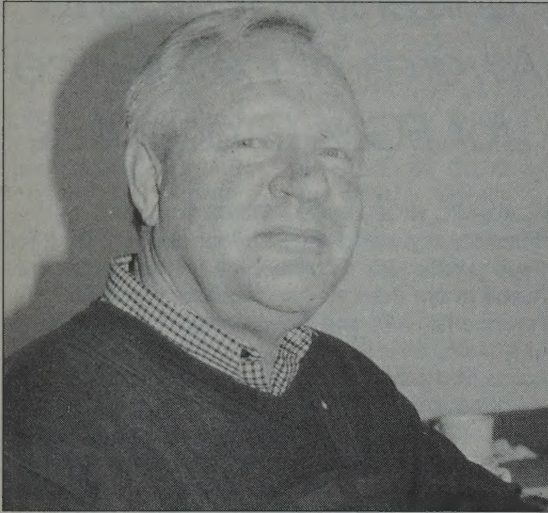
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community **NEWS****Conservative hopefuls seek nomination**

DAVID CHATTERS is currently the MP for Athabasca.

Two of the candidates seeking the Conservative Party of Canada nomination in the new Westlock - St. Paul federal riding have visited Elk Point in recent weeks to outline their platforms.

Paul Pelletier attended the Elk Point Chamber's annual meeting, and said fiscal management is needed in Ottawa. "There's going to have to be some serious management - \$14 to \$15 billion could be saved annually that could go to a lot of programs." He added that there are "serious problems right here at home," such as finding qualified and willing physicians for rural communities.

David Chatters visited local residents over coffee, and said what the new party stands for is "hard to define" and will depend on who is elected leader. "The merger is still very fragile. It needs to be a new party with new ideas" Ethics in government is a prime concern and "nobody's talking about fixing them. The country is fiscally and morally bankrupt. We have to change it."



PAUL PELLETIER addressed the Elk Point Chamber of Commerce at their Annual Meeting.

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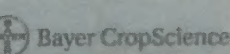
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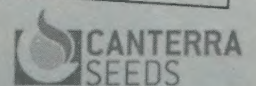
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University of Alberta Awards of Excellence for FGM Grade 12s

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARDS from the University of Alberta were announced last week for three Grade 12 F. G. Miller High School students. Principal Jim Hawkins and teachers Maureen Ference (far left) and Cheri Lindquist presented U of A backpacks to (left to right) April Paley, Kristyn Ballas and John Braga, who will also receive scholarships in various amounts. Principal Hawkins also congratulated April Paley on receiving 100% on Part A of her Social Studies 30 departmental, and Robin Schade (not shown) on achieving 100% on Part A of her Applied Math 30 departmental. He said 32% of the Grade 12s received over 80% on their departmentals and not one student failed an exam. F. G. Miller students were well above the provincial average, Hawkins noted.

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Library looks back at "The Year of the Great Flood"

"The Great Flood" which closed Elk Point Public Library for two and a half months figured prominently in reports from both Library Board chair Sherry Milholland and librarian Daphne Schnurer at last Tuesday's Library Board Annual Meeting.

The flood, which resulted from a cracked toilet tank and which covered much of the building's floors in water, brought with it a flurry of intense activity as books were evacuated or moved to higher locations, vacuums and fans were brought in efforts to dry the area as quickly as possible. Walls and flooring damaged by the flood were replaced before books and shelving were put

back in place and the library once again opened to the public.

Many of an estimated 680 hours contributed by numerous faithful volunteers went into both efforts on the day of the disaster and later to help get the library back in business. "In fact, if it hadn't been for our volunteers when 'The Great Flood' happened, damage would have been way worse," Milholland said, while Schnurer added, "we were fortunate to have numerous volunteers to help put the library back in order after the flood". Four students and a staff member were hired for 112.5 additional hours to sort damaged books and restock the shelves.

Financial help was

also forthcoming. The "more than generous" Town of Elk Point paid for new flooring, while the Elk Point Co-op hosted a benefit Steak Fry with \$987 in proceeds coming to the library. An extra \$2000 from the Province was a major help, as was \$3000 recently received from the County of St. Paul, thanks to the dedicated lobbying efforts of councillor Sharil Baumgardner. "And of course, we couldn't function without the Friends of the Elk Point Library," Milholland said. The Friends logged approximately 450 volunteer hours last year, in addition to 200 hours for other volunteers and 30 hours for Board members.

Budget woes are

ongoing, and "of course we are short of money, as usual. We still have not been able to get a new photocopier/fax machine that suits our needs and fits our budget, but we live in hope. We still cannot afford to send anyone to the Jasper Library Conference again this year. But all in all, thanks to the efforts of generous people, we are in much better shape than we could have been," Milholland concluded.

Programming was disrupted by the flood closure, and Storytime numbers have still not recovered to pre-flood totals. The Seniors Teas were relocated to Milholland's home and to Fort George and Buckingham House Interpretive Centre during the months the library was closed, and

this monthly event continues to be popular. The extended closure also seemed to impact the numbers at the preschool sessions of the Summer Reading Program, coordinated this year by April Gusnowski, with an average of only two to a maximum of seven children in attendance weekly. The school-age sessions were better attended, averaging 10 to a maximum of 17 children weekly.

Patron registration increased last year, from 281 county and 375 town members in 2002 to 307 county and 381 town members in 2003. Circulation suffered due to the long closure, dropping from 16,008 items in 2002 to 12,557 in 2003. Inter-library loans continued to be popular, with 684 items borrowed and

1272 loaned to other libraries.

The library's two patron-use computers are kept busy, and application has been made for another public access computer through the CAP APLEN grant program. Between 160 to 230 people per month use the current computers.

The library's program room continues to be well used, with approximately 90 meetings or other gatherings held during the nine and a half months the library was open.

February brings music to Heritage Lodge residents

By Sid Holthe
Resident

Progress relating to significant occasions were not noticeably organized by staff here. No attention was directed to Groundhog Day of course, or to 'Punxatawney Phil', the groundhog who supposedly forecasts weather patterns when emerging briefly from hibernation. I have no faith in such prognostication (forecasting) and suspect that his motives relate more to the musings of a poet what suggested that 'In the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love', if you insert groundhog's instead of man's.

Even Valentine's Day was not formally observed, perhaps because it occurred on a Saturday, and perhaps because there are no overt demonstrations of romance between singles, either passionate or platonic. But hopefully, the tasty heart-shaped cookies and appropriate Valentine's symbols assisted widowed residents to recall sweeter, gentler times.

One resident proposed that a suitable ritual would provide babas/grandmothers an opportunity to display photos of descendants on suitably placed tables for everyone to view and admire on Family Day. But this occasion is observed as

a provincial holiday, some staff was absent, and there was not any activity organized in advance.

A band featuring Roland Poitras on guitar and vocal (with humor), Eddy Poitras on fiddle and guitar, Karen Tingey on fiddle and Cory Poitras on guitar and fiddle, entertained us on February 5. As well, Cory performed the Red River Jig.

Youthful Brett Kissel, vocal and guitar, accompanied by veteran performers Russ Kowtun on guitar and Walter Ference on guitar, displayed his musical talents here on February 12, prior to an appointment in Nashville.

Babe Sharkey, Fred Brind, Jeff Ryder and Orest Drobot brought music and song on February 19. We trust that Grace Meger will have recovered speedily from a cold infection. Special thanks are accorded to Orest for accompanying on short notice.

We enjoyed the piano styling of Les Petry on February 15, featuring familiar selections.

John and Gloria Lukinuk drove through some fog over part of the highway from Bonnyville to Elk Point on February 25, and through what can only be described as very dense fog on the entire return journey, all to entertain us with a varied program including

songs, fiddle tapes, karaoke and hymns. Their dedication is appreciated, but we are prepared to accept a cancellation when driving conditions are hazardous.

The following incident is an illustration of kindness and concern for a fellow resident. Mrs. Meger lost her cherished wedding ring when attending a medical appointment, but Mrs. Radies, on a subsequent occasion, spotted it in the snow and restored the ring to an appreciative owner. I am pleased to mention this example to confirm that the virtues of compassion and honesty are alive and flourishing here.

The Baptist Youth Group, with leader Youth Pastor Jason Goulet, have confirmed that they will appear on Friday, February 27, to socialize with residents and to join in table games with us.

Residents who expressed approbation and appreciation for the oral readings by Linda Scott of the St. Paul Learning Association are disappointed that funding for that excellent portion of the program has ended. Linda will not be providing a comforting service to individuals with diminished eyesight or with fondness for this shared, and sometimes nostalgic experience.

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Albert Lampert of Calgary, beloved husband of Georgina Lampert, passed away unexpectedly while on vacation in Arizona on Feb. 18, 2004 at the age of 69 years. Al was born at Stoney Lake and lived there until his teens when he left to work in the oil and gas business.

Besides his wife, Al will be lovingly remembered by his children, Brenda (Joseph "Don") Hale, Barry Lampert (Teri Tancowny), Debbie Tytula (Gary Patton), Carmen Duckmanton (John Eckersley), Dawn (Howard) White; eleven grandchildren, two great-grandchildren; two sisters, Jean McGinnis and Donna Kondro of Elk Point; brother Terry (Denise) Lampert of Sydney, Australia as well as numerous other relatives. Al was predeceased by his parents Lloyd and Helen Lampert, his sister Grace Harasym, grandson Tanner Tancowny-Lampert and brothers-in-law Melvin McGinnis & John Harasym.

Funeral services held in the Chapel of Mountain View Funeral Home on Wed., Feb. 25, 2004. The graveside service was in the Garden of Heritage Mountain View Memorial Gardens. If so desired, memorial tributes in Al's name may be made directly to the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Alberta (1825 Park Road S.E. Calgary, AB T2G 3Y6). To email expressions of sympathy: mountainview@arbornemorial.com subject heading: Albert Lampert.

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The Press Council:

- meets two to four times each year, usually in Calgary or Edmonton;
- provides a modest per diem and travel expenses.

Expressions of interest are invited from members of the public. They should include a brief personal history or a resume and the names of three appropriate references. Nominations must be received by the Press Council no later than 4:00 p.m. March 12 and should be sent to:

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community NEWS

4-H members impress the judges with speeches, presentations

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Three members chose to give presentations. In the Intermediate age group, Janice Tymofichuk brought along her scuba diving gear to explain the joys of "Underwater Fun, while Marvin Ockerman demonstrated the steps in making and installing a snare and explained the equipment used in "Trapping", with the award going to Janice. Her brother Darren showed off some "Cool Fun" with dancing popcorn and disappearing dough for the Junior award.

Junior judge Calvin Leckie spoke on behalf of colleagues Sylvia Boothman and Natalie Bos, and said "the juniors were all really good speakers. Their prepared speeches were well prepared, and their quality good. There's great potential there."

Elena Drobot judged the senior and intermediate speakers with Linda Grabas and Jim Lindquist, and noted "a great difference between giving and reading your speech. It comes with practice." She said speeches were "all very well written and researched, with use of

humor - a really good job by everyone."

A very special part of Sunday's proceedings was the presentation of 4-H Awards of Excellence to present and former members of the club who recorded all the activities they had been involved in, and tallied up an impressive number of points for them. Val Gibson, who announced the winners, said the awards are "a symbol of commitment by the members." Platinum awards went to Nichole Havener, with 329 points collected in eight years of membership and Danielle Schnurer, 363 points and nine years. Gold awards went to Danielle Wruth, 241 points in eight years, and Amanda Zapesocki, 247 points in seven years. Qualifying for silver awards were six-year members Nicholas Zapesocki, 152 points, Randy Wruth, 169 points, Chelsea Schnurer, 211 points, and Rhonda Wruth, 173 points, and five-year member Derek Wruth, 159 points. Bronze awards went to four-year members Shaun Robinson, 113 points, Marvin Ockerman, 103

points, Matthew Robinson, 121 points and Bryant Schnurer, 114 points, and three-year members Janice Tymofichuk, 100 points and Micheal Wandler, 91 points.

Mistress of ceremonies was Wanda Cochrane, a 4-H parent who had also served as MC during her days as a member of the club. She expressed thanks on behalf of the club for the use of the Seniors Recreation Centre and to Footprints for their donation of gift certificates for the speakers. Tellers and timers were Joanne Bespalko and Ellen Seward, while Lorraine Danyluk and Val Gibson were Impromptu assistants. This year's Public Speaking Committee is made up of Kayla Gibson, Laryssa Cochrane, Shaun Robinson, Val Gibson and Wanda Cochrane.

This coming Sunday, March 7, Elk Point 4-H Multi Club will host the District Speak-off at 1:00 p.m. at the Seniors Recreation Centre.



AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE from Alberta Treasury Branch went to (back row, left to right) Derek Wruth, Rhonda Wruth and Chelsea Schnurer, all receiving silver; Danielle Wruth, gold; Nichole Havener, platinum; (front row, left to right) Shaun Robinson, Bryant Schnurer, Marvin Ockerman, Janice Tymofichuk, Matthew Robinson and Micheal Wandler, all receiving bronze. Not shown are Danielle Schnurer, platinum, Amanda Zapesocki, gold and Nicholas Zapesocki, bronze.



THE STARS OF SUNDAY'S SPEAK-OFF were (front, left to right) Jessica Wirsta, Jared Vallee, Alanna Ockerman, Katelynn Vallee, Kayla Gibson, Darren Tymofichuk; (second row, left to right) Derek Wruth, Matthew Robinson, Robyn Ockerman, Tyson Ockerman, Melissa Frisby, Janice Tymofichuk; (back row, left to right) Bryant Schnurer, Shaun Robinson, Micheal Wandler, Laryssa Cochrane and Marvin Ockerman.

Canada Day enthusiasm high

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will start the weekend before. Fort George and Buckingham House Historic Site will host their new and exciting Family Fun Fur Trade Challenge on Sunday, June 27, with the focus moving into town that evening for the Canada Day Gospel Concert coordinated by Harvey Nadeau.

Activities for Wednesday, June 30 include the annual Beerfest hosted by the Elk Point Volunteer Fire Department and Elk Point and District Lions Club, with music by Route 66 and Country Fyre. A fireworks display is planned, depending on funds available, and an old-time music jamboree has also been suggested.

The final event of the Family Fun Fur Trade Challenge will highlight this year's Canada Day Pancake Breakfast on July 1, to start off the day. Changes to the parade route to make it more marcher-friendly are being studied, along with the provision of reserved seating for seniors in a special easy-access location. Thomas Kondla has once again volunteered to organize the afternoon stage show, and was told that electrical outlets should be in place at the stage by that time. A penny carnival and children's races are also a possibility, and the High School will be contacted to determine what activities the teenagers would most enjoy.

Volunteers are also looking into possible events to be held after the stage show, including snowmobile grass drags, mud drags and lawnmower races. There is also the potential for events to be scheduled on the Monday and Tuesday evenings and the weekend following Canada Day.

The Canada Day Committee's next meeting is March 16 at 7 p.m. in the FCSS Office.

Elks District 10 Curling Playdowns

DISTRICT DEPUTY WALTER JENDRUK presents the District 10 trophy on Saturday, February 21 to Myrnam Elks (back row, left to right) Orest Krywiak, Nestor Saskiw, Ken Hladunewich, (front, left to right) Elder Axley, Rick McKenzie and Roger McMillan.

Photos by Faye Smith



REPRESENTING THE HOST LODGE were Elk Point's (back row, left to right) Lorn Berg, Dustin Berg, Don Pilisko, Allan Berg, (front, left to right) Lane Lorensen, Joe MacKinnon and Walter Jendruk.



VERMILION ELKS LODGE was represented by (back row, left to right) Roger Hall, Leonard McPhee, Norm Ericksen, Jake Jacobson, (front, left to right) Leif Hansen, Jim Goodwin, Glen Gibbons and Doug Hoffman. A good time was reported to have been enjoyed by all participants.